Bridge at Kollakadavu.

44. ✻ **MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether provision has been included in the budgets of the last three years for the construction of the bridge at Kollakadavu on the Chengannur-Mavelikara Road;

(*b*) the amount spent for the purpose from the budget allotment in each year; and

(*c*) the steps taken or work done in 1118 and 1119 in connection with the construction of the above bridge?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes, except in the budget for the year 1118.

(*b*) No amount was spent in the years 1117 and 1119.

(*c*) The necessary further investigations have been conducted and an estimate is under preparation.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: With regard to the answer under item (*c*), may I know how long this estimate has been under preparation?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: For the past 1½ years.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member whether he is aware that the same answer was given at the budget session of 1118?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: I claim notice.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the honourable member is aware that the same answer was given during the last budget session which is contained in Volume XXII Part 2?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The estimate has been completed and is with me now.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether there is any provision for the construction of this particular bridge in the current year's budget?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: Yes. There is a provision of Rs. 20,000.

MR. C. K. SANKARA PILLAI: Is there any possibility of any bridge being constructed in the near future?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: It depends upon the availability of materials such as steel and cement.

MR. C. K. SANKARA PILLAI: May I know why the execution of this work has been delayed so long?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: It is on account of the difficulties in getting materials.

Chavara Bridge.

45. ✻ **MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR** (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long is it since the Chavara bridge became unfit for bus traffic;

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